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22 July, 1961.

Mrs. Dorothy M. Cromwell,  
P. O. Box 224,  
Brockville, Ont.

Dear Mrs. Cromwell:

I am sorry that you were forced to write a second letter to me. Your letter is likely in a pile of papers somewhere on my shelves, all of which should have replies. I find that I should have about two secretaries and a mail clerk to keep up with all requests which come to my desk. In addition to being the genealogist of our local Branch of the U. E. L. Association, I am a doctor, whose minute to minute activities can be disrupted by a drowning, a birth, or what have you, to the point that, as my boss in the Army used to say: "The squeaking wheel gets the grease."

I have done a great deal of research into the antecedents of our Loyalists, mainly those of this district. I have noted, in passing, other names in which I had no particular interest, such as Seber, or Sever. I never copied items dealing with this family, but I can tell you where to look.

- 1st. The Rev. Duncan Fraser, of Johnstown, N. Y., whom I have met and enjoyed, contributed an article to the 'Ontario History,' published by the Ontario Historical Society, vol. LII, no. 3, of September, 1960, which deals with rent rolls of Sir William Johnson. In it you will find the names of Jacob and of John Seber, his tenants.
- 2nd. This name is undoubtedly German, and likely originates, in America, from the Palatine emigration of 1703-16. A person named Knittle published a book called The Palatine Emigration. It should be found in most large libraries. You should see this.
- 3rd. I strongly suggest that you visit the State Library in Albany, N. Y. I go there two or three times a year. Take a few days there and look over Mohawk River local histories. There may also be a genealogy of your family already written, which may be found there. Also, look into all the church records of the Mohawk Valley. These are mainly Lutheran or Dutch Reformed Churches. You should find many references to your family. I can suggest, in particular,
  1. Fonda, N. Y., Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Caughnawaga.
  2. Palatine Lutheran Trinity Church of Stone Arabia.
  3. " Dutch Reformed " " "
  4. Fort Hunter (Episcopal) Church.
  5. St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Schoharie.
  6. Reformed Dutch Church, Schoharie.
  7. Trinity (Episcopal) Church, of New York City, whose rectors made trips up the Mohawk and while there performed ceremonies.
  8. First Dutch Reformed Church, Schenectady.I have seen all these, and I feel sure that you will find something to interest you.

You might find Rev. Duncan Fraser a source of additional material. He has been helpful to me.

Best of luck with your search. While you are at it, make a duplicate copy for my Loyalist records.

Sincerely







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P.O. Box 224,  
Brockville, Ontario,

July 21st, 1961.

Dear Dr. Burleigh:-

In May of this year, I had some correspondence with Miss Maye McFarland of Napanee, in connection with tracing my family, who were U.E.Loyalists. Miss McFarland informed me that she had passed my letter along to you, and that you would be in touch with me.

I am most anxious to ascertain if possible where my family may have come from in New York State at the time they came to Canada, and the only clue I have is a receipt signed by Sir William Johnson, apparently in payment of rent, and it refers to Kingsburgh in New York State. I intend going to New York this Fall to endeavour to find some trace of my people when they lived there, and would be most grateful if you could make any suggestions as to where I might start.

I had the pleasure of meeting Sir John Johnson, Sixth Baronet of New York, when he was here at the opening of Upper Canada Village, and he was extremely interested in my family papers. I realize that it would probably be very hard to find any trace of them in New York State now, but I would like to make a try at it. The farm where they settled when they first came to Canada is still in our possession - infact has been in continuous possession of our family since they first arrived in Canada. My maiden name was Savor (in the old documents spelled "Seber", "Seaver", and "Saver"), and my great-grandfather was Capt. John Savor of the 2nd Dundas Militia, who fought at Crysler's Farm. I have presented his sword and his Commission as a Captain, together with a list of the names of the men in his Company, to the Commission, and it is now on display in the Battle

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BY

JOHN BURNET

OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

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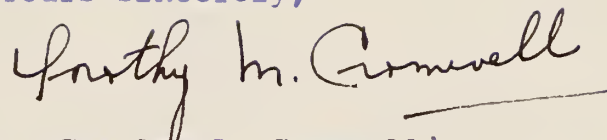
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Memorial Building in Crysler Farm Battlefield Park.

I hesitate to trouble anyone as busy as yourself, but would greatly appreciate any leads you might be able to give me as to where I might start to search in New York State.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dorothy M. Cromwell". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

(Mrs. Stanley L. Cromwell)

Dr. H. C. Burleigh,  
Bath,  
Ontario.

